



# UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
United States Patent and Trademark Office  
Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450  
[www.uspto.gov](http://www.uspto.gov)

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
09/890,863	08/07/2001	Junichi Hayakawa	740670-264	7958
31780	7590	04/21/2006	EXAMINER	
ERIC ROBINSON PMB 955 21010 SOUTHBANK ST. POTOMAC FALLS, VA 20165				BEFUMO, JENNA LEIGH
			ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER
			1771	

DATE MAILED: 04/21/2006

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

APPLICATION NO./ CONTROL NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR / PATENT IN REEXAMINATION	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.
---------------------------------	-------------	---	---------------------

EXAMINER

ART UNIT      PAPER

0406

DATE MAILED:

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

Commissioner for Patents

The remand order mailed on April 12, 2006, required the IDS of November 25, 2003 to be reviewed and a complete copy of reference RD 354039 A be entered into the application. With regards to the IDS filed on November 25, an initialed and signed copy is attached herewith indicating that the references have been considered. One of the Japanese references was a duplicate reference listed on the first IDS submission and JP 10-257587 is a Japanese patent based on application JP 09-072652, which was previously considered. Additionally, a complete copy of reference RD 354039 A was included with the Examiner's Answer filed December 19, 2005, and has already been mailed to the applicant and scanned into the file as an NPL document. Thus, the issues of the remand order have been addressed and the case should be returned to the Board of Appeals for review.

Jenna-Leigh Befumo